

aging, showing a decided increase along all lines of work. \$25.00 were voted towards the building fund for the Auxiliary Office at Montreat, and the pledge towards the salary of the evangelist for Norfolk Presbytery was renewed. Rev. E. E. Von Peachy made a stirring address on the needs of the foreigner in our midst. Rev. Chas. H. Pratt gave a most interesting account of work in Korea. The pageant, "A Call From Japan," was ably presented by the young people of the Knox church. A proposition from the committee on the Home for Returned Missionaries was presented. After due consideration it was deemed inadvisable to undertake the proposition. Saturday, the 21st, was devoted to young people, and a most enthusiastic and interesting meeting was held. Much discontent was expressed at the lack of reports from the young people's societies; and as a result resolutions protesting against the action and petitioning the Virginia Synodical Auxiliary to also protest, were adopted by the representatives from both the adult and young people's societies. The meeting adjourned to meet next year in the Hampton Presbyterian church.

Hilda S. White, Secretary.

Meridian Presbyterian Auxiliary held its fifth annual meeting in Biloxi, Miss., April 24, 25, 26, 1917. The report for the year ending March 31, 1917, was very gratifying, and showed an increase over last year in all departments of the work. Number societies, 50; number members, 1,117. Total contributions, \$5,052. Standard of excellence reached. The gracious address of welcome by Miss M. Chapman, Biloxi, was happily responded to by Mrs. R. L. Turner, Meridian. There were seven officers present, 24 voting delegates and 17 visiting delegates. Eighteen societies gave interesting narrative reports. We had with us Mrs. H. L. Hickman, of Texarkana, Texas, who gave us three excellent addresses on "Woman's Field in the Presbyterian Church," "Making Missions Interesting to Boys and Girls," and "Vitalizing Mission Study." The report of the Educational Committee, Mrs. G. D. Booth, Laurel, chairman, was very comprehensive and encouraging. Besides the hospitable entertainment extended to the delegates they were also given a sail, an auto ride, and a lovely reception at the home of Mrs. Chas. Frue. The following officers were elected for the new year: Mrs. John Campbell, Biloxi, president; Mrs. E. J. Curry, Hattiesburg, vice-president; Mrs. Scott Denny, Moss Point, secretary; Mrs. J. F. Kaphan, Meridian, Treasurer. Cause Secretaries: Mrs. R. P. Linfield, Biloxi, Foreign Missions; Miss Ethel Glenn, Ellisville, Assembly Home Missions; Mrs. S. D. McInnis, Moss Point, Chairman Ed. & Min. Relief; Miss Annie Gay, Hattiesburg, Syn. & Pres. H. Miss.; Mrs. W. T. Holloway, Collins, Literature; Miss Frances Kell, Pascagoula, Y. P. W. & S. S. Ex. Educational Committee: Mrs. G. D. Booth, Laurel, chairman; Mrs. John Campbell, Biloxi; Mrs. E. J. Currie, Meridian.

The Savannah Presbyterian Auxiliary convened in Statesboro, Ga., April 24, 25, Mrs. J. R. Whitman, president, presiding. There were present 8 officers, 17 representatives and 6 visitors. Mr. B. D. Brantley, of Blackshear, addressed the gathering on "Presbyterian Home Mission Work." Miss Elda Fair, medical missionary of Luebo, Africa, was most interesting both in her address on Tuesday evening and in a short talk on the manner of teaching the heathen and their customs, the following day. A most inspirational feature of

the program was the "Quiet Hour," conducted at each session, by Mrs. A. L. Patterson, of Savannah, using as a foundation for her talks Fosdick's book, "The Meaning of Prayer." Under the direction of Mrs. G. L. Bitzer, of Valdosta, and Miss Eunice Lester, of Statesboro, a mission study class demonstration was given by the young people of Statesboro. While only 3 of the 18 societies in the Presbyterian had reached the standard of excellence, the narrative reports were most encouraging and we begin the new year with renewed zeal and enthusiasm, inspired by this very helpful and delightful meeting. Mrs. J. R. Whitman, of Waycross, was re-elected president, with Mrs. P. L. Pomeroy as recording secretary.

Elizabeth Havenkotte,
Recording Secretary.

Roanoke Presbyterian Auxiliary held its nineteenth annual meeting at Houston, Va., April 23, 24, 25. It was one full of interest and inspiration in its appealing Bible Hours, led by Miss Carrie Lee Campbell, Foreign Mission secretary of the Virginia Synodical, and the forceful addresses given by the Rev. E. E. Von Peachy, Hungarian Missionary to his people in Holden, W. Va., and by the Rev. C. K. Cumming, on the Call of Japan. The pastor, Dr. T. S. Wilson, conducted the devotional exercises at the night services and was most helpful and sympathetic in his attitude towards the woman's work of this Presbyterian. The former pastor, Rev. C. W. Maxwell, brought an earnest message about the Presbytery's Home Missions needs and both stood ready to help in every way when called upon. The Baptist minister, Rev. Mr. Maynard, introduced the speaker from Japan, having himself been for fourteen years a missionary to that country and having known Mr. Cumming in their missionary work there. Two societies reached the standard of excellence. Three new societies were welcomed into the Presbyterian, making a total of 24 Women's and 9 Young People's societies. Every Woman's Society sent a statistical report and the narratives of societies were pronounced the best ever given at any of the annual meetings. Kindling interest and enthusiasm marked the sessions and made this meeting a memorable one. The secretary of literature presented the charts and leaflets in an attractive way, urging especially the study of Africa in the Sunday-schools this year. Miss Campbell gave a most interesting demonstration of missionary methods in the Sunday-school and led a mission study class on Latin-America. Mrs. Lanier, Young People's secretary, with the help of some of the young girls in the audience, presented a box demonstration, showing by comparison the amounts spent last year for tobacco, candy, chewing gum, millinery and foreign missions. The Executive Committee made the following recommendations, which were adopted: 1st. The division of Roanoke Presbyterian into four districts, to be presided over by four vice-presidents for the purpose of enlisting every woman in the Presbytery in missionary endeavor. 2nd. The election of officers in three groups for further systematizing the work. 3rd. The raising of \$100 for the Home for Returned Missionaries. 4th. Each society employing the ratio division of per cents to the causes as recommended by the Assembly. 5th. The continuance of our pledges to Patrick Mission School. 6th. Each society giving an annual Thank Offering, which is to be devoted to the training for Christian service of two young women in the Assembly's Training School, Richmond, Va. 7th. All Presbyterian funds outside the regular

church benevolences being sent through the Presbyterian treasurer (now Mrs. J. C. Carrington, Charlotte Court House, Va.). A beautiful spirit of co-operation and fellowship was manifested by the denominations in the delightful town of Houston. Entertainment was charmingly provided in the hospitable homes thrown open to the delegates. The motto adopted for the year was "All things work together for good to them that love God." The Presbyterian will meet next year with New Concord Society, Concord Depot, Campbell county, Virginia.

Abingdon Presbyterian Auxiliary held its thirteenth annual meeting in the Presbyterian church at Tazewell, Va., Tuesday, April 24, at 7:30 P. M. Rev. W. W. Arrowood, of Tazewell, presided. In the absence of Dr. J. R. Dobyns, president of Stonewall Jackson College, Rev. Samuel Moore, of Bluefield, preached the opening sermon. Mr. Moore took for his subject, "Seeing the Vision." His appeal was inspirational and furnished the keynote toward which the Presbyterian strove. Rev. Theo. Smylie, of Welch, spoke Wednesday evening. He emphasized the growing needs of Abingdon Presbytery. Mrs. J. A. Gray, who had served as Presbyterian president two years and was elected last year at Pulaski to succeed herself, had to give up her work last summer on account of a nervous breakdown. The work was taken up by Mrs. Thomas Galt, of Marion, the president emeritus of the Presbyterian, who presided at the Tazewell meeting. Mrs. Galt combines consecration with rare intellectuality and she so conducted the business and devotional features of the Presbyterian as to increase the zeal of every delegate who was so fortunate as to be present. Mrs. Walter McCoy, of Knoxville, president of Appalachian Synodical, was also present. She addressed the Presbyterian Wednesday morning and also conducted an impressive consecration service. Through her influence ten dollars was pledged to the erection of a cottage at Montreat for the use of Mrs. Winsborough and her associates. Brief reports were read by the officers. The treasurer's report showed that \$3,694 had been contributed through the Presbyterian to various causes. A novel feature of the meeting was the contribution of the secretary of literature, Mrs. R. T. Stephenson. This consisted of a play given by the ladies of Tazewell, "When the Dumb Spake," in which the claims of the Missionary Survey were set forth.

The social features were most pleasant. Luncheon was served at the beautiful new home of Mrs. Geo. St. Clair. Mrs. St. Clair was assisted by the young ladies of the church. Wednesday the Presbyterian was the guest at luncheon of the Methodist ladies. An automobile drive to Burke's Garden furnished the conclusion feature of a most delightful and inspiring meeting.

A cordial invitation to meet at Marion was accepted for next year and the thirteenth annual meeting of the Abingdon Presbyterian closed with the Mizpah benediction in concert. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. F. B. Kegley, Wytheville; vice-presidents, Mrs. Geo. St. Clair, Tazewell; Mrs. R. T. Stephenson, Abingdon; Miss Laura Earley, Hillsville; Mrs. Susie Youell, Norton; recording secretary, Miss Eliza Lyons, Tazewell; treasurer, Mrs. K. M. Ferguson, Marion; secretary of literature, Mrs. Mary Martin, Horton; secretary Young People's Work, Mrs. Landis, Pulaski; secretary Home Missions, Mrs. R. P. Harris, Pulaski; secretary Foreign Missions, Miss Elise

Bowers, Tazewell; secretary Sunday-school Extension and Publication, Miss Lena Bettie, Glade Spring; secretary Christian Education and Ministerial Relief, Mrs. W. K. Vance, Briston. Mrs. Galt continues as president emeritus and the place of corresponding secretary is still to be filled.

WINCHESTER PRESBYTERIAL AUXILIARY.

The eleventh annual meeting of the Winchester Presbyterian Auxiliary was held in the Presbyterian church, Romney, West Virginia, April 11 and 12.

Wednesday evening the Presbyterian was formally opened with a Home Mission address by Mr. E. E. Von Peachy, a native Hungarian, who told us of his work among his own people in Logan county, West Virginia.

The devotional exercises on Thursday morning were conducted by Mrs. W. J. Webster. She completed the theme of "Service," upon which she has talked for a number of years. Mrs. Webster brings a message that is both practical and inspiring, the delegates always carrying home lasting impressions of her addresses.

Mrs. C. H. Thomas accorded the Presbyterian a warm welcome to Romney; Mrs. M. Folk, in the name of the Presbyterian, gave the response.

The enrollment of delegates showed a full representation from all the societies, and, while the Presbyterian has not increased in membership during the year, the gifts have been larger. Two new societies honored this year: Springfield Missionary and the Junior Mission Band of Davis.

The officers' reports show that our officers were not idle during the year. The Presbyterian welcomed the communication from the Synodical officers, stating that they hoped to complete in the near future the Home for Returned Missionaries. This Presbyterian has always been interested in the building of this home.

The meeting was fortunate in having Miss Carrie Lee Campbell. She gave us an address on the subject of "The Place of Foreign Missions in Societies." She also assisted with the Young People's Hour.

A resolution was adopted accepting the invitation of the society of Davis, W. Va., to meet with them next year.

Lucy F. Kurtz, Secretary.

The New Catalogue: The Woman's Auxiliary has just issued a new catalogue of literature containing helpful leaflets on Home and Foreign Missions as well as on organization and methods for the Missionary Society. Every missionary woman should have a copy of this catalogue sent free on receipt of 1 cent for postage.

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Make it mine
To feel amid the city's jar
That there abides a peace of thine
Man did not make and cannot mar.

—Matthew Arnold.